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CAST:

THE DOCTOR  
ADRIC  
TEGAN  
NYSSA  
RICHARD MACE  
TERILEPTIL LEADER  
THE ANDROID  
HEADMAN  
FIRST VILLAGER  
POACHER

N/S:

SCYTHEMAN  
VILLAGERS  
THE MILLER

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SETS:

Miller's Stable (with Harness Room)  
Tardis Console Room  
Tardis Corridor  
Tardis Girls Room  
Manor House Composite: Incl. Cellar  
Room  
Passage  
Terileptil Laboratory

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TELECINE:

Woodland: Assorted Locations  
Manor House and Environs

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SUPOSE CAM

Main  
Titles:

(REPRISE THEN:)

1. INT. STABLE. DAY.

(THE DOCTOR AND  
MACE STRUGGLE  
BUT ARE HELD  
FIRMLY BY THE  
VILLAGERS.)

THE SCYTHEMAN  
STANDS OVER THEM.

SUDDENLY THE HEADMAN  
OF THE VILLAGE PUSHES  
INTO THE STABLE  
ACCOMPANIED BY THE  
POACHER. BOTH WEAR  
GLOWING 'CONTROL'  
BRACELETS)

HEADMAN: Wait!

FIRST VILLAGER: They must die.  
They bring plague to the village.

HEADMAN: These men are wanted  
criminals.

FIRST VILLAGER: Then the sooner  
they are dispatched the better.

HEADMAN: They are wanted alive .

POACHER: There is a reward.

FIRST VILLAGER: What use it that  
if you're dead?

(HE SIGNALS THE  
SCYTHERMAN TO  
PROCEED)

HEADMAN: No! I am the Headman  
of your village. You will listen  
to me!

(RAPIDLY THE POACHER  
FITS AN ARROW TO  
HIS BOW AND RAISES  
IT TO THE FIRING  
POSITION, POINTING  
IT AT THE SCYTHERMAN)

POACHER: Kill them and you  
die as well.

(THE SCYTHERMAN  
HESITATES.

THE VILLAGERS  
BECOME CONFUSED  
AND AGITATED)



HEADMAN: Trust me.

(THE VILLAGERS HOLDING  
THE DOCTOR AND MACE  
HESITATE FOR A  
MOMENT WAITING FOR  
INSTRUCTIONS FROM  
FIRST VILLAGER, BUT  
HE HAS CONCEDED AND  
SIGNALS FOR THEM  
TO BE RELEASED.

THE DOCTOR AND MACE  
ARE RELEASED AND  
THEY CLIMB TO THEIR  
FEET)

THE DOCTOR: Thank you. I'm  
the Doctor. I can help you.

HEADMAN: (CUTTING IN) Lock  
them in the harness room.

(THE HEADMAN POINTS  
TOWARDS THE HARNESS  
ROOM AND WE SEE  
THAT HE IS WEARING  
A GLOWING "CONTROL"  
BRACELET)

2. INT. TARDIS GIRLS ROOM. DAY.

(NYSSA IS PURPOSEFULLY  
MOVING ALL ITEMS OF  
FURNITURE BACK AGAINST  
THE WALLS. IN DOING  
SO SHE CREATES A  
LARGE OPEN AREA IN  
THE MIDDLE OF THE  
ROOM. THIS AREA TO  
BE LARGER THAN ANY  
OPEN AREA IN THE  
CONSOLE ROOM)



TELECINE 1:

Ext. Wood. Day.

ADRIC runs into the woods.  
The Manor House is in the  
background.

3. INT. LABORATORY. DAY.

(THE LEADER TURNS  
TO FACE TEGAN AND  
THE ANDROID. SHE  
IS BEING HELD BY  
THE ANDROID AND IS  
STRUGGLING VIOLENTLY.

THE LEADER HOLDS A  
"CONTROL" BRACELET)

TEGAN: No! Please!

LEADER: You will not feel  
pain.

(THE LEADER SNAPS  
THE BRACELET ONTO  
TEGAN'S WRIST, WHO  
IMMEDIATELY STOPS  
STRUGGLING. THE  
ANDROID RELEASES  
HER ARM.

A BUZZER SOUNDS ON  
THE BRACELET CONTROL  
PANEL. THE LEADER  
CROSSES TO THE  
PANEL AND PUNCHES A  
FEW BUTTONS.

HEAVY STATIC MIXED  
WITH A BACKGROUND  
OF CONFUSED THOUGHTS  
OF THE HEADMAN IS  
HEARD)

Report. (cont ...)

(THE CONFUSED THOUGHTS  
GROW MORE AGITATED)



LEADER: (cont) The primitive-  
ness of these creatures astounds  
me. Listen to the state of the  
fool's brain. (TO HEADMAN) I  
said report! Concentrate on  
your thoughts, then I will hear  
them!

HEADMAN: (V.O.) (WITH ENORMOUS  
EFFORT) The Doc ... tor is ...  
my pris ... nor.

LEADER: Excellent. Bring him  
to the house at once.

4. INT. TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. DAY.

(NYSSA, WITH A TOOL  
BOX OPEN BESIDE HER,  
IS DISMANTLING SOME-  
THING ON THE UNDER-  
SIDE OF THE CONSOLE.  
HAVING EXTRACTED IT  
SHE DRAGS IT ALONG  
THE FLOOR TO THE  
INTERNAL DOOR)



5. INT. TARDIS CORRIDOR. DAY.

(A STRUGGLING NYSSA  
DRAGS THE ITEM -  
THE SONIC BOOSTER -  
THROUGH THE DOOR AND  
ALONG THE CORRIDOR.  
SHE PAUSES TO CATCH  
BREATH)

NYSSA: (MUTTERS) I hope you  
appreciate what I'm doing for  
you, Tegan.

6. INT. LABORATORY. DAY.

(TEGAN STANDS BEFORE  
THE LEADER)

LEADER: Do not try to fight  
it. You will only cause  
yourself pain. You understand?

TEGAN: Yes.

(THE LEADER PICKS  
UP A TRAY OF AMPOULES)

LEADER: Take these to the  
cellar and pack them with the  
others.

(TEGAN TAKES THE  
TRAY AND CROSSES  
TO THE EXIT)

But take care not to drop  
them. If you do, you will  
be dead in minutes.



7. INT. TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. DAY.

(NYSSA RETURNS TO  
THE CONSOLE ROOM  
AND RUMMAGES IN THE  
TOOL BOX THAT SHE  
LEFT ON THE FLOOR.  
SUDDENLY THERE IS  
A BANGING AT THE  
EXTERNAL DOOR. SHE  
ACTIVATES THE SCANNER  
WHICH SHOWS ADRIC  
OUTSIDE. SHE OPENS  
THE DOOR FOR HIM.  
HE ENTERS.

HE IS EXHAUSTED  
FROM HIS RUN AND  
EMOTIONALLY VERY  
UPSET)

NYSSA: Adric! What's the  
matter? Come and sit down.

(ADRIC IS ON THE  
VERGE OF TEARS)

ADRIC: Where's The Doctor?

NYSSA: He went to find the  
miller.

ADRIC: We've got to get back  
to the house. Tegan's still  
there.

NYSSA: (QUIETLY) What  
happened?

ADRIC: The Android caught  
us escaping and I had to  
leave her behind.

NYSSA: Was she hurt?

ADRIC: I don't know. We have  
to go back and find out.

NYSSA: We should wait for The  
Doctor. We can't take on the  
Android by ourselves.

ADRIC: Why isn't he here?  
Why is he never around when  
you want him?

8. INT. HARNESS ROOM. DAY.

(THE DOCTOR PEERS  
THROUGH A CRACK  
IN THE DOOR)

MACE: I have faced some of  
the most hostile audiences in  
the world. Today I met Death  
in a cellar. But I have  
never been so afraid as when  
I saw the man with the scythe.

THE DOCTOR: The Headman was  
wearing a bracelet.

MACE: Should I care? He  
saved our lives.

THE DOCTOR: For the Terileptils.

MACE: I thought you wanted  
to meet them.

THE DOCTOR: Not as their  
prisoner.

MACE: It couldn't be worse  
than what we've just experienced.

THE DOCTOR: It might be more  
subtle.

MACE: I feel my mind slipping  
into a bottomless pit of  
despair and gloom.



(THE DOCTOR TURNING  
FROM HIS SPY-HOLE)

THE DOCTOR: Then you'd better  
snatch it back quickly. The  
Headman's coming. I want to  
get his bracelet off.

MACE: Do you think that wise?

THE DOCTOR: There's no  
alternative. Free of it, we  
might be able to reason with  
him.

(THE DOOR IS FLUNG  
OPEN AND THE HEADMAN  
AND POACHER ENTER)

HEADMAN: You are to be taken  
to the Manor House.

(THE POACHER MOVES  
BEHIND THE DOCTOR  
AND MACE)

THE DOCTOR: Of course.  
(EXTENDING HAND) But first  
I would very much like to  
thank you for saving our lives.

(THE DOCTOR GRASPS  
THE HEADMAN'S HAND  
AS THOUGH TO GIVE  
HIM A DOUBLE HANDED  
SHAKE, BUT INSTEAD  
RELEASES THE POWER-  
PACK FROM THE  
BRACELET.

AT THE SAME MOMENT,  
MACE BACK ELBOWS  
THE POACHER SENDING  
HIM TUMBLING TO THE  
GROUND.

TOTALLY DISORIENTATED,  
FROM THE SUDDEN  
RELEASE OF THE  
"CONTROL" BRACELET,  
THE HEADMAN PUSHES  
THE DOCTOR ASIDE AND  
STAGGERS OUT OF THE  
ROOM.

THE DOCTOR, SEEING  
MACE STRUGGLING WITH  
THE POACHER ON THE  
FLOOR, GOES TO HIS AID.

WITH EFFORT HE  
MANAGES TO DISCONNECT  
THE POWERPACK AND  
THE POACHER PASSES  
OUT. THE DOCTOR  
THEN SLIPS THE TWO  
POWERPACKS INTO  
HIS POCKET)

9. INT. STABLE. DAY.

(THE HEADMAN STAGGERS  
AROUND FOR A MOMENT  
THEN COLLAPSES.

THE VILLAGERS GATHER  
AROUND)

FIRST VILLAGER: What happened?

(A VILLAGER SLAMS  
THE DOOR OF THE  
HARNESS ROOM)



10. INT. HARNESS ROOM. DAY.

(THE DOCTOR HELPS  
MACE TO HIS FEET  
AND THEN CROSSES  
TO THE CLOSED DOOR  
AND LOOKS THROUGH  
HIS SPY-HOLE)

MACE: That didn't get us very  
far.

THE DOCTOR: It was worth a  
try.

MACE: So what do we do now?  
Ransom the poacher?

11. INT. LABORATORY. DAY.

(THE LEADER STANDS  
BEFORE THE "CONTROL"  
BRACELET PANEL WHERE  
TWO LIGHTS FLASH)

LEADER: Primitive fools  
(TURNS TO ANDROID) They've  
allowed The Doctor to dis-  
connect their power packs.  
Fetch The Doctor  
and his companion. (SHOUTS)  
I want them here!

12. INT. STABLE. DAY.

(THE HEADMAN SITS  
ON A BALE OF STRAW  
SURROUNDED BY THE  
OTHER VILLAGERS)

FIRST VILLAGER: What happened  
in there?

HEADMAN: (STILL VERY CONFUSED)  
I don't know. I don't remember  
anything very clearly.

FIRST VILLAGER: Who are those  
two? And why were you taking  
them to the Manor House?

HEADMAN: Was I?

FIRST VILLAGER: That's what  
you said.

HEADMAN: I don't know. I  
heard a voice. Then I was  
here.

FIRST VILLAGER: A voice?

HEADMAN: "Find the Doctor",  
it said. Then I saw a  
picture of that man inside  
my head.

(UNSETTLED RESPONSE  
FROM THE VILLAGERS)

FIRST VILLAGER: A vision?



HEADMAN: (GROWING MORE DISTRESSED) It was horrible. I couldn't control my mind. I could only do what this voice said.

FIRST VILLAGER: You were possessed! There is evil at work here. (TURNING TO THE VILLAGERS) The plague carriers are warlocks as well.

13. INT. HARNESS ROOM. DAY.

THE DOCTOR: (QUIETLY) Oh,  
dear.

(TURNS TO MACE WHO  
IS EXAMINING THE  
UNCONSCIOUS POACHER)

How is he?

MACE: I think he's asleep.

THE DOCTOR: He'll be alright.

MACE: But will we share his  
fate? Our jailors sound  
decidedly against us.

THE DOCTOR: There must be  
some way out of here. Adric  
and Tegan are depending on me.

(MACE LEANS FORWARD  
AND PULLS A DAGGER  
FROM THE TOP OF  
THE POACHER'S BOOT.

MACE HOLDING UP  
THE DAGGER)

MACE: I could test the  
strength of this blade against  
the planking of the wall.

14. INT. TARDIS GIRLS' ROOM. DAY.

(THE BOOSTER IS  
NOW MOUNTED ON A  
MAKESHIFT STAND.

ADRIC IS MUCH  
CALMER)

NYSSA: We'll need something  
to join the booster to the  
stand.

ADRIC: Will this thing really  
work?

NYSSA: Of course.

ADRIC: It isn't very portable.

NYSSA: I know. I wish The  
Doctor would hurry up. He  
knows far more about these  
things than I do.

ADRIC: Shall I go and look  
for him?

NYSSA: No. If you missed  
each other we'd then have to  
send out a search party for  
you.

ADRIC: I should be doing  
something.

NYSSA: The sooner we finish  
this, the sooner we can get  
back to the house for Tegan.  
(cont ...)



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NYSSA: (cont) Why not try  
and find something I can use  
as a clamp.

(ADRIC MOVES TO  
THE DOOR)

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TELECINE 2:

Ext. Wood. Day.

THREE MASKED VILLAGERS  
walk purposefully  
through the wood.  
They see something  
and stop.

From their P.O.V. we  
see the TARDIS.

15. INT. TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. DAY.

(ADRIC ENTERS AND  
CROSSES TO THE  
LARGE BOX OF ODDS  
AND ENDS SITUATED  
ON THE FLOOR. HE  
BENDS DOWN AND  
RUMMAGES THROUGH  
THE BOX.

OVER HIS SHOULDER,  
AND UNSEEN BY ADRIC,  
WE SEE ON THE SCANNER-  
SCREEN THE THREE  
MASKED VILLAGERS  
APPROACHING THE  
TARDIS)



16. INT. LABORATORY. DAY.

(THE LEADER IN  
FRONT OF A  
COMMUNICATOR.

THE HEAD OF A  
TERILEPTIL IS  
SEEN ON THE  
MONITOR)

LEADER: The work is complete.  
I shall bring it to the base  
this evening for immediate  
release.

(THE SECOND  
TERILEPTIL ON  
THE SCREEN LETS  
OUT A LOUD  
HISSING-ROAR OF  
PLEASURE)

I have more news. I have  
discovered a group of time  
travellers. Soon they will  
be our prisoners and their  
ship under our control.

17. INT. CELLAR. DAY.

(WITH BRACELET  
GLOWING, TEGAN  
WORKS AT A BENCH  
PACKING AMPOULES  
INTO A REINFORCED  
CARRYING BOX. SHE  
THEN CLOSES THE  
BOX AND PLACES IT  
IN A LARGER CRATE  
ALREADY CONTAINING  
OTHER AMPOULE  
BOXES.

THE CELLAR IS NOW  
LITTERED WITH BOXES  
AND PACKING CASES)

18. INT. TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. DAY.

(ADRIC STILL RUMMAGES  
ROUND IN THE TOOL  
BOX.

THERE IS NO SIGN OF  
THE WATCHING VILLAGERS  
ON THE SCANNER SCREEN.

ADRIC CROSSES TO THE  
INTERNAL DOOR, CLAMP  
IN HAND)



19. INT. STABLE. DAY.

(SOME OF THE VILLAGERS  
THROW DOWN BALES OF  
STRAW FROM THE LOFT  
WHILE OTHERS DRAG  
THEM OUTSIDE TO BUILD  
A BONFIRE.

THE HEADMAN IS STILL  
SEATED, BUT MUCH  
RECOVERED)

FIRST VILLAGER: Come on, lads!  
Quick as you can! Let's have  
them burnt before they can work  
any more of their magic.

20. INT. HARNESS ROOM. DAY.

(MACE EARNESTLY  
LEVERS AWAY AT  
THE PLANKS OF  
THE WALL BUT TO  
LITTLE EFFECT.

THE DOCTOR IS  
OBSERVING THE  
PROCEEDINGS  
THROUGH HIS  
SPY-HOLE)

MACE: I fear the man who built  
this wall knew his trade too  
well.

(THE DOCTOR TURNS  
TO HIM)

THE DOCTOR: Let me see.

MACE: If only we possessed  
the skills of which we are  
being accused. A small spell  
might work wonders.

(THE WORDS ARE NO  
SOONER OUT OF MACE'S  
MOUTH, THAN HE IS  
SENT STUMBLING ACROSS  
THE ROOM AS THE PLANK  
HE IS WORKING ON IS  
PUNCHED IN)

(HORRIFIED) But I didn't say  
anything!

(SEVERAL OTHER PLANKS  
ARE PUNCHED INTO THE  
ROOM)

21. INT. STABLE. DAY.

(AS BEFORE)

FIRST VILLAGER: Build it high.

(OFF: THE SOUND  
OF SPLINTERING  
WOOD IS HEARD)

HEADMAN: What was that?

FIRST VILLAGER: It's from the  
harness room. The warlocks are  
escaping! (TO SCYTHERMAN)  
Quickly!

(THEY CROSS TO THE  
HARNESS ROOM DOOR.

THE VILLAGERS PAUSE  
IN THEIR WORK AND  
WATCH.

THE DOOR IS FLUNG  
OPEN BY THE HEADMAN,  
BUT INSTEAD OF THE  
DOCTOR AND MACE THE  
MASSIVE SHAPE OF THE  
DISGUISED ANDROID  
FILLS THE OPENING)

HEADMAN: Death!

(THE SCYTHERMAN ATTACKS  
THE ANDROID, BUT IS  
EASILY DISARMED. WITH  
SCYTHER IN HAND, THE  
ANDROID'S IMAGE AS  
THE GREAT REAPER IS  
COMPLETE.



IN A STATE OF  
COMPLETE PANIC,  
VILLAGERS SCREAM  
AND FLEE FROM  
THE STABLE)

22. INT. TARDIS CORRIDOR. DAY.

(ADRIC IS UNFURLING  
A LENGTH OF HIGH  
TENSION CABLE THE  
END OF WHICH IS IN  
THE CONSOLE ROOM.  
HE MAKES HIS WAY  
TOWARDS THE GIRLS'  
ROOM AND OPENS THE  
DOOR)

23. INT. TARDIS, GIRLS' ROOM. DAY.

(ADRIC ENTERS AND  
DROPS THE END OF THE  
CABLE ALONGSIDE  
THE BOOSTER)

ADRIC: That's heavy. I can't  
see why you wanted to work i  
here anyway.

NYSSA: I need the extra space.

ADRIC: You're not going to  
operate it in here!

NYSSA: Only to test it.

ADRIC: Won't it damage the  
Tardis?

NYSSA: It's less likely to here  
than in the console room. And  
I'm not even sure it'll work at  
all.

ADRIC: It'd better.



24. INT. CELLAR. DAY.

(TEGAN WORKS AT A BENCH. HER CONTROL BRACELET GLOWS. SHE PACKS TRAYS OF AMPOULES INTO PACKING BOXES AND PLACES THE BOXES ON A PILE IN THE CORNER.

WE HEAR THE DOCTOR, ANDROID AND MACE ENTER THE PASSAGEWAY OUTSIDE AND COME TOWARDS THE CELLAR.

THEY ENTER)

THE DOCTOR: Tegan!

(SHE TURNS TOWARDS THE DOCTOR)

TEGAN: Yes?

MACE: She is wearing a bracelet.

THE DOCTOR: Concentrate, Tegan. You can over-ride the effect. Concentrate hard. Get back to the Tardis and tell Nyssa what's happening.

(THE ANDROID PUSHES THE DOCTOR)

(TO MACE) You'd better prepare yourself for a shock.

MACE: Now what?

THE DOCTOR: I don't think  
you'll have seen anything  
quite like a Terileptil before.

(MACE LOOKS VERY  
DOUBTFUL.

THEY HALT AT THE  
ENERGY BARRIER  
WALL.

THE ANDROID PRESSES  
A CONCEALED SWITCH  
AND THE BARRIER  
VANISHES)

25. INT. LABORATORY. DAY.

(THE DOCTOR AND MACE  
ENTER ESCORTED BY  
THE ANDROID.

THE LEADER WAITS  
FOR THEM IN THE  
MIDDLE OF THE  
FLOOR.

MACE IS NOT HAPPY  
WITH WHAT HE SEES)

THE DOCTOR: (QUIETLY, COMFORTING)  
It's alright.

(THEY CROSS TO THE  
LEADER)

How do you do. I'm the Doctor.  
Are you in charge here?

LEADER: You will remain  
silent!

THE DOCTOR: Sorry. It's just  
that I'm rather concerned about  
a couple of friends I left  
here. I've just seen Tegan,  
but I would like to know that  
the boy Adric is safe.

LEADER: I have no interest in  
your friends.

THE DOCTOR: That's unfortunate.  
Because our original purpose in  
coming here was to help you.



LEADER: Help? You would help a Terileptil?

THE DOCTOR: To get back to your home planet, yes.

(THE LEADER LETS OUT  
AN ENORMOUS HISSING  
ROAR)

LEADER: You must think me a fool.

THE DOCTOR: Not at all.

LEADER: Look at me, Doctor.

(PLACES HIS HEAD VERY  
CLOSE TO THE DOCTOR'S)

Do you see these?

(HE INDICATES THE  
CARBUNCLE-LIKE  
GROWTHS ON HIS  
FACE)

They are not natural to my physiognomy.

THE DOCTOR: So you've been to prison. What does that matter?

LEADER: You know?

THE DOCTOR: There's only one place in the universe a Terileptil can acquire such scarring: the tinclavic mines on Raaga.

LEADER: And to be sentenced to Raaga is always for life.

THE DOCTOR: Ah. Terileptian law never was my strong point.

LEADER: I am a fugitive, Doctor. The last place I wish to go is home. Only death awaits me there.

THE DOCTOR: I see your point. But there are countless uninhabited planets you could settle on.

LEADER: To lead a primitive life without grace or beauty.

THE DOCTOR: You're highly intelligent. You have your android, your skills. Your way of life wouldn't be primitive for long.

LEADER: But we would not have a ship. And without one, we would be defenceless, prey to any Terileptil scout party.

THE DOCTOR: I can take you anywhere you want. A billion light years from your home planet. You'd never be found.

LEADER: No, Doctor. A barren rock in space is not an acceptable alternative, especially when you are my prisoner and your ship is for the taking.

THE DOCTOR: I can't let you do that.



LEADER: You are not in a position to refuse.

THE DOCTOR: The Tardis is a very temperamental machine needing very careful handling.

LEADER: It will be treated with the utmost care.

THE DOCTOR: You didn't look after your own ship very well.

LEADER: If it hadn't been badly damaged in an asteroid storm, it would not have succumbed to the gravitational pull of this planet.

THE DOCTOR: I gather its break-up made an impressive spectacle.

LEADER: It cost the lives of all but myself and three of my comrades.

THE DOCTOR: (SURPRISED) There are only four of you?

LEADER: Three now, but it is enough.

THE DOCTOR: Against the millions who already live on this planet? You'll never establish yourself here.

LEADER: You are assuming we plan to coexist.



THE DOCTOR: Genocide!

THE LEADER: The primitives are too aggressive and wilful. We have little need for them, especially now we have your Tardis.

THE DOCTOR: You'll find their elimination more difficult than you think. And the Tardis won't help you.

LEADER: The Tardis won't be necessary.

(MACE SUDDENLY FINDING  
HIS VOICE)

MACE: This thing is talking of mass murder!

LEADER: (TO DOCTOR) Is he a primitive?

MACE: There is nothing primitive about me, sir.

LEADER: So much pride in something so stupid.

(HE REACHES FOR THE  
GUN IN HIS BELT)

I should destroy you now.

MACE: Let me see you try.

(MACE RUSHES AT  
THE LEADER, WHO  
EFFORTLESSLY KNOCKS  
HIM TO THE GROUND.

THE DOCTOR PICKS UP  
A LARGE BOTTLE OF  
LIQUID AND IS ABOUT  
TO THROW IT AT THE  
ANDROID, BUT THE  
LEADER SEES HIM  
AND DRAWS HIS GUN)

LEADER: (POINTING GUN) Put  
down the flask.

(THE DOCTOR OBEYS)

(TO ANDROID) Fit the primitive  
with a bracelet.

(THE ANDROID MOVES  
TOWARDS MACE)

THE DOCTOR: (POINTING AT MACE)  
He is only one untrained man.  
But what will you do when they  
send thousands of their soldiers  
against you?

LEADER: You are right, Doctor.  
We cannot fight as warriors,  
but I have already devised a  
way that will make that  
unnecessary.

26. INT. TARDIS GIRLS' ROOM. DAY.

(THE BOOSTER NOW  
HAS FURTHER ATTACH-  
MENTS FITTED TO IT.

NYSSA IS MAKING A  
FINE ADJUSTMENT TO  
ONE OF THE FITMENTS.

ADRIC ENTERS CARRYING  
A CARBON ROD)

ADRIC: Is this what you wanted?

NYSSA: That's it.

(HE HANDS HER THE  
ROD)

ADRIC: How much more have you  
got to do?

NYSSA: Not much. Although the  
Doctor will have to check some  
of the adjustments.

ADRIC: If we ever see him again.

NYSSA: I'm sure he's alright.

ADRIC: But what about Tegan?

NYSSA: Try not to worry. You  
can't do anything for her at the  
moment.



ADRIC: I can't do anything  
for anyone!

(HE POINTS AT THE  
BOOSTER)

I can't even help you with that  
thing.

(HE CROSSES TO  
THE DOOR)

I'm going to look for the Doctor.

NYSSA: Adric!

ADRIC: He might be in trouble.

NYSSA: And what will you be  
able to do?

ADRIC: More than just wait!

(ADRIC OPENS THE  
DOOR AND EXITS.

NYSSA CLAMBERS  
AROUND THE BOOSTER  
AND CROSSES TO THE  
DOOR)

27. INT. TARDIS CORRIDOR. DAY.

(NYSSA EMERGES  
FROM THE GIRLS'  
ROOM AND RUNS ALONG  
THE CORRIDOR FOLLOWING  
ADRIC)

NYSSA: Adric!

28. INT. TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. DAY.

(ADRIC ENTERS AND  
LOOKS AT THE  
SCANNER-SCREEN. ALL  
IT SHOWS IS THE WOOD.

NYSSA ENTERS)

NYSSA: Where will you go?

ADRIC: To the mill.

NYSSA: You could easily miss  
him.

ADRIC: So you keep saying.

(ADRIC OPERATES  
THE DOOR OPENER  
AND IT OPENS)

Please don't worry. I'll be  
alright.

NYSSA: Adric! No!

(ADRIC LEAVES)



TELECINE 3:

Ext. Wood. Day.

From the POV of the  
watching VILLAGERS we see  
ADRIC leave the tardis  
closing the main door  
behind him.

29. INT. TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. DAY.

(NYSSA CLOSES THE  
INTERNAL PART OF  
THE MAIN DOOR AND  
THEN WATCHES ADRIC  
ON THE SCANNER-SCREEN  
WALKING THROUGH THE  
WOODS.

SUDDENLY TWO VILLAGERS  
STEP OUT IN FRONT OF  
HIM AND A THIRD BEHIND.

ADRIC PAUSES FOR A  
MOMENT, TURNS TO RUN,  
BUT IS BROUGHT DOWN)

NYSSA: Oh, no.

30. INT. LABORATORY. DAY.

(THE ANDROID HOLDS  
THE DOCTOR FIRMLY  
BY THE ARM.)

THE LEADER PICKS UP  
A PAIR OF SEVENTEENTH  
CENTURY HANDCUFFS)

THE DOCTOR: A neat idea  
dressing the android up as  
Death.

LEADER: It created the confusion  
I wanted.

THE DOCTOR: I saw him in action  
in the stable.

LEADER: I have always found  
fear an excellent tool.

THE DOCTOR: What happened to  
the occupants of this house?

LEADER: A noble death. They  
were allowed to die fighting.

THE DOCTOR: I've never been  
able to reconcile the Terileptils  
love of art and beauty with their  
love of war. (cont... )

(THE LEADER SNAPS  
THE CUFFS ON THE  
DOCTOR'S WRISTS)



THE DOCTOR: (cont) Don't I  
qualify for a bracelet?

LEADER: Your mind would over-  
ride the effects.

(THE DOCTOR RATTLES  
THE HANDCUFFS)

THE DOCTOR: Cruder, but more  
effective, eh?

LEADER: War is honourable,  
Doctor. Even on this planet it  
is considered so.

THE DOCTOR: I know. But by  
your own admission these people  
are still primitive. What's your  
excuse?

31. INT. TARDIS CORRIDOR. DAY.

(NYSSA SLOWLY WALKS  
ALONG THE CORRIDOR  
AND ENTERS THE GIRLS'  
ROOM)

32. INT. TARDIS GIRLS' ROOM. DAY.

(NYSSA ENTERS AND  
STANDS IN FRONT OF  
THE BOOSTER. SHE  
IS VERY UPSET AND  
TAKES OUT HER ANGER  
BY KICKING THE BOOSTER)

NYSSA: Stupid machine!



33. INT. PASSAGE WAY. DAY.

(THE ANDROID ESCORTS  
THE HANDCUFFED DOCTOR  
ALONG THE PASSAGE,  
STOPPING AT THE DOOR  
OF THE ROOM WHERE  
TEGAN AND ADRIC WERE  
HELD PRISONER.

THE FANLIGHT HAS NOW  
BEEN MORE EFFECTIVELY  
BARRED.

THE ANDROID OPENS THE  
DOOR)

34. INT. ROOM. DAY.

(THE DOCTOR IS  
PUSHED INTO THE  
ROOM AND THE DOOR  
CLOSED AND LOCKED  
BEHIND HIM.

HE STARES FOR A  
MOMENT AT THE BARE  
ROOM)

TELECINE 4:

Ext. Wood. Day.

Struggling, ADRIC is  
dragged through the  
wood by the MASKED  
VILLAGERS.



35. INT. ROOM. DAY.

(THE DOCTOR RUMMAGES  
IN HIS POCKET FOR  
HIS SONIC SCREWDRIVER.  
WITH GREAT EFFORT HE  
MANAGES TO REMOVE IT,  
BUT IS UNABLE TO HOLD  
IT PROPERLY AND DROPS  
IT)

THE DOCTOR: Oh, for a proper  
key.

TELECINE 5:

Ext. Back of House. Day.

The LEADER emerges from the house.

The Miller's wagon is there and the MILLER stands beside it.

LEADER: Hurry. Help the others.

The MILLER climbs onto the platform of the wagon and throws down the folded tarpaulin as the LEADER re-enters the house.

The MILLER jumps down as the "controlled" MACE and TEGAN emerge from the house carrying boxes, which they place on the wagon.

36. INT. LABORATORY. DAY.

(THE LEADER ENTERS,  
CROSSES TO A WORK  
BENCH AND OPENS A  
REINFORCED CARRYING  
BOX CONTAINING SEVERAL  
LARGE AMPULES.

CAREFULLY HE INSERTS  
AN AMPULE INTO A  
NEEDLELESS COMPRESSED  
AIR HYPODERMIC)



37. INT. ROOM. DAY.

(THE DOCTOR, NOW  
ON HIS HANDS AND  
KNEES, FINISHES  
EMPTYING A POCKET  
ONTO THE FLOOR.

BEFORE HIM IS A PIECE  
OF STRING, A FEW COINS  
AND TWO OF THE POWER-  
PACKS PICKED UP AT  
THE STABLE. ALSO THE  
SONIC SCREWDRIVER,  
SOME FLUFF AND A  
SAFETY PIN.

HE SEARCHES ANOTHER  
POCKET)

THE DOCTOR: One day I must get  
a proper survival kit together.

(A KEY IS HEARD IN  
THE LOCK.

WITH HIS RIGHT HAND  
THE DOCTOR PICKS UP  
THE POWERPACKS, PIN  
AND COINS AS RAPIDLY  
AS HIS CUFFS WILL  
ALLOW)

38. INT. PASSAGE WAY. DAY.

(THE DOOR OF THE  
ROOM IS PUSHED OPEN  
AND WE SEE A BACK  
VIEW OF THE DOCTOR  
CLIMBING TO HIS FEET)

LEADER: Stay where you are,  
Doctor.

(HE FREEZES IN HIS  
MOTION)

39. INT. ROOM. DAY.

(TEGAN, WHO IS  
CARRYING A COVERED  
CONTAINER, MACE, WHO  
IS CARRYING A MUSKET,  
AND THE LEADER ENTER.

THE LEADER DRAWS HIS  
GUN AND POINTS IT AT  
THE DOCTOR)

LEADER: Now turn around.

(SLOWLY THE DOCTOR  
OBEYS AND WE SEE  
THAT HE IS ALSO  
HOLDING THE SONIC  
SCREWDRIVER)

Drop the sonic device.

(THE DOCTOR OBEYS  
AND THE SCREWDRIVER  
SLITHERS ACROSS THE  
FLOOR)

THE DOCTOR: Isn't my day, is  
it?

(THE LEADER FIRES  
HIS GUN AT THE  
SCREWDRIVER AND IT  
SHRIVELS INTO A  
LUMP OF TWISTED  
METAL)

I feel as though you've just  
killed an old friend.



LEADER: It is with some sadness that I tell you, you are about to join it.

THE DOCTOR: Why not smile and let me live?

LEADER: If I did that you would be a greater menace than all the primitives on this planet.

THE DOCTOR: You over-estimate me.

LEADER: And then there would be the argument over the Tardis. You would have made a useful ally, but I think you are safer dead.

(HE POINTS AT  
TEGAN WHO BENDS  
DOWN AND RELEASES  
THE COVER ON THE  
CONTAINER. SHE  
REVEALS A CAGE WITH  
A SINGLE BLACK RAT  
IN IT)

I said I would demonstrate how I am to rid this planet of its primitives. It's very simple.

(HE GESTURES TO  
THE CAGE)

THE DOCTOR: The poor old black rat and his flea.

LEADER: The infection it now carries has been genetically re-engineered. Though heavily infected, it will outlive you all.

THE DOCTOR: But you'll need thousands of them.

LEADER: We have thousands of them. They are awaiting release in a nearby city. Their infection will kill every living thing.

THE DOCTOR: I thought the local plague was already doing that.

LEADER: Our rats will ensure there are no survivors. A final visitation!

THE DOCTOR: Then who will serve you?

LEADER: Now we have your Tardis we will be able to travel to any part of the universe and acquire androids.

THE DOCTOR: Such carnage isn't necessary.

LEADER: It's survival, Doctor. (HE GESTURES TO MACE) Just as these primitives kill lesser species to protect themselves, so I kill them.

(HE CROSSES TO THE DOOR)

THE DOCTOR: That's hardly an argument.

LEADER: It's not meant to be. It's a statement. If you try and escape or interfere with the cage your friends "controlled" minds contain but one thought: to kill you.



(THE LEADER EXITS  
AND LOCKS THE DOOR.

TEGAN AND MACE STARE  
AT THE DOCTOR)

THE DOCTOR: I know you never  
listen to what I say, Tegan, but  
please put the cover back on the  
cage ... You can do it ... Just  
concentrate and you can over-ride  
the control ... Think hard ...  
cover the cage ...

(AS HE TALKS HE  
EDGES TOWARDS THE  
CAGE.

MACE RAISES HIS MUSKET  
TO THE FIRING POSITION  
AND COCKS IT.

THE DOCTOR HALTS.

SLOWLY TEGAN BENDS  
DOWN KEEPING HER  
EYES ON THE DOCTOR  
AND BEGINS TO FEEL  
FOR THE CATCH ON THE  
CAGE)

No, Tegan, don't. Listen to  
me. It's the Doctor. (URGENTLY)  
Don't open it. (SHOUTS) If you  
do, it's the end for us all!

(TEGAN FINDS THE  
CATCH AND STARTS  
TO UNDO IT)

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